

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **9 May 2008**, Examiner reviewed claims 1-25. Examiner rejected claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Balfanz et al. (“*Talking to Strangers: Authentication in Ad-Hoc Wireless Networks*,” hereinafter Balfanz), in view of Hermann (EP 1,024,626, hereinafter “Hermann”), and in further view of Lowensohn et al. (U.S. Pub. No. 2004/0230809, hereinafter Lowensohn).

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Examiner rejected claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Balfanz, in view of Hermann and in further view of Lowensohn.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to clarify that embodiments of the present invention provide a security credential to a medical wireless sensor associated with a patient at an enrollment station associated with a medical facility. None of Balfanz, Hermann, or Lowensohn, either separately or combined, disclose applying a security credential mechanism to medical wireless sensors. The corresponding amendment is supported in par. [0109]-[0110] of the instant application. No new matter was added.

Applicant has also amended claim 1 to clarify that the medical wireless sensor is configured to send the security credential **to a provisioning device over the location limited channel**. This limitation is also not taught in any of the above references. The corresponding amendment is supported in par. [0051]-[0054] and par. [0067]-[0069] of the instant application. Furthermore, Applicant has amended claims 1-25 for minor stylistic and grammatical changes. No new matter has been added.

Hence, Applicant respectfully submits that the independent claims as presently amended are in condition for allowance. In addition, Applicant respectfully submits that dependent claims that depend upon these independent claims are for the same reasons in condition for allowance and for reasons of the unique combinations recited in these claims.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the application is presently in form for allowance.
Such action is respectfully requested.

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